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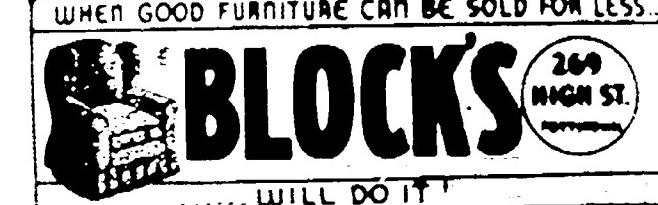
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## Taxidermist Getting Ahead—Lots of 'Em

By HARRY TOLAND  
(Mercury Staff Writer)

Talking with David B. Blair, the area's only taxidermist, these days would cause any one-armed, hives-riden paper-hanger to blush like a boy caught peaking at a nudist camp.

In the past three days he has been working 21 hours a day—from 6 a.m. to 3 a.m. When he picks up the phone, his greeting is, "This is David Blair—what's left of him."

The prevailing deer season, which has brought him more trade than any other in his 23-year career, is why Blair is in the treemill.

Not only has a huge assortment of heads, hides and feet almost filled his garage and a 16 by 22-foot shop, but he is in a fair way of getting moved out in the street by deer-by-products in his own Rahn's Hill home.

Things will get worse, too, before they improve, he expected. "Now I'm waiting for those big ten-day camps to break up. Boy, is that going to be fun!"

"It's a hell of a mess up here," he shouted last night with high good humor. "Looks to me like I got every deer in Pennsylvania. But they're all bucks, so I must be wrong."

THE PAST YEAR HE mounted 98 heads. This year he has already taken in 135 and about the same number of hides plus 412 hooves.

"Have I got hides?" he howled. "Lord, come through the roof, I'll pay for the shingles!"

The other night, he said, he had a stack of hides five feet tall laid back to back.

Blair's wife, Myrtle, is his only helper. "You should see that woman with a butcher knife," he enthused.

Mrs. Blair does some of the skinning; builds supporting forms for heads and feet; sews heads and necks shut and paints up the noses, ears, nostrils and eyelashes.

THE 32-YEAR-OLD, red-headed taxidermist, who learned his trade in the Smithsonian Institute, Washington D.C., could still use a helper, he said.



Up to his shoulders in heads, hides and hooves of deer David B. Blair, Rahn's Hill, the Pottstown area's only taxidermist, reveals by tense look how he feels about this season, the heaviest in his 23-year career.

The trouble is he pointed out, that the work is highly skilled and every time an apprentice becomes expert enough to be an assistant, he strikes out on his own.

So, for years, said the man who mounted some of Teddy Roosevelt's African prizes, he has been all alone in the area.

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## PLEA PREPARED FOR SESSION OF COUNCIL TONIGHT

Penn Villagers to Urge Council for Early Action Toward Federal Allotment

Tom J. Bonta, secretary of the Penn Village Tenants association, will go before borough council tonight to ask for establishment of a Pottstown housing authority.

The secretary will ask that the authority's business be to bring low-cost housing to Pottstown.

He also will endeavor to find out what council plans to do about getting a share of Federal housing appropriations when or if the 81st Congress passes an expected bill providing such expenditures.

His plea will have particular bearing on evicted Penn Villagers and those awaiting eviction from the Federally-owned project. Fourteen tenants already have received notices and 40 others are on the list because their incomes exceed present limits.

Bonta said he believed several councilmen are unaware of the need for Federal housing in the Pottstown area. He will attempt to convince them tonight, he said. Other Penn Villagers will accompany him.

If HIS SUPPLICATION for a housing authority, which The Mercury has sought editorially, is turned down and the borough fails to ask for or get Federal housing funds, Bonta has one more card up his sleeve.

At a regular meeting of the Tenants' Association Saturday afternoon, members instructed him to write to several prefabricated housing firms and investigate about a possible development of such structures near Pottstown.

TO REPLACE OFFICERS who have moved away or been evicted, others were elected.

Ted E. Windish was named vice president in place of George W. Hummel, who moved to Stowe. Raymond Evans will take the spot on the executive board vacated by Gunther Rubrecht, now at St. Louis.

Wilma Meyers was elected chairman of the entertainment committee, a position now held by William Price, who will resign Jan. 1 because of ill health.

Allen D. H. Field, president of the association, appointed to the committee Mr. and Mrs. Robert Kalis and T. E. Landre to fill other vacancies.

The association also decided to stage a Christmas party for the village's estimated 200 children on Dec. 23 in the community center. Santa will preside and small gifts and games will be provided.

Field received a unanimous vote of confidence by the association.

Other officers elected nearly all incumbents were Alphonse Pacholi, vice president; Innocenzo DiMatteo, treasurer; Louis J. Cimino, corresponding secretary; John A. Baldassare, financial secretary.

Alfonso Antoni Dinnocenti, financial secretary; Nicholas Cutillo, newly-elected assistant grill secretary, succeeding Patrick Ciarrula; Samuel Lacioli and Joseph Cipriano, sanitary committee; Rocco Colloiese, sergeant-at-arms; George Bolognesi, censor, and Francis Delberti and Carmen Cellucci, marshals.

Both rails of the siding were spread by the accident. Parts of one rail were torn up for 20 feet and a dozen wooden ties were shoved out of position.

But there was little damage to the cars, all of which remained upright after their wheels left the tracks. And no one was injured.

The derailment occurred as the 41-car freight train was moving east about five miles an hour, after it had pulled into the siding to give the right of way to a passenger train coming in the opposite direction, coming toward Philadelphia.

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## \$10,000 EDIFICE GOES UP

## Cornerstone of Stowe Church Laid

(Picture on Page 3)

The cornerstone of the new Brethren in Christ church, Glasgow street, Stowe, was eased into position Saturday afternoon to mark another step in progress toward the church's first real church building.

A ceremony, attended by visiting pastors and two of the present pastor's cousins who flew in from Mt. Joy, Lancaster county, formalized the event.

MR. AND MRS. FRANK Hilltop, who organized the church 20 years ago, spoke briefly and the invocation was delivered by the Rev. Henry Rosenberger, Souderton.

The new building will include a basement meeting room and first floor auditorium with two Sunday school rooms.

For the past 13 years the church had been meeting in a one-time school house at 511

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# 3 Nation U. N. Commission To Seek Peace in Palestine

PARIS, Dec. 12 (AP)—The United Nations tonight began a new approach toward settling Jewish-Arab differences in Palestine.

A little more than a year after it voted to partition the Holy Land, the 38-nation general assembly has now set up a three-nation concilia-

tion commission to work toward permanent settlement of the Palestine problem.

The U. N. is taking into account the accomplished fact that Israel exists as a Jewish state. It also is taking into account the stubborn Arab-Moslem re-

fusal to admit that Israel is a state.

Recognizing the difficulties involved, the assembly appointed predominantly Moslem Turkey as a member of the council-on commission. The other two members of the commission are the United States and France, original supporters of the partition plan.

Israel did not welcome the selection of Turkey, which ruled over Palestine before World War I, but Arab spokesmen said they were satisfied.

THE NEW COMMISSION will approach its task with little solid guidance. Its object is to find a lasting settlement of the Palestine problem and to work out a plan for an international regime in Jerusalem and protection of the holy places.

The United States and the acting Palestine mediator, Dr. Ralph Bunche, want the commission to begin work speedily. Bunche's duties as acting mediator will be taken over by the new agency.

The commission will handle only the long-range phases of the Palestine problem. The Security council is watching day to day developments and trying to prevent any new outbreaks of fighting.

The council is expected to meet this week, probably Wednesday, to consider Israel's application for U.N. membership. Israel needs seven affirmative votes to gain approval in the council. Most observers believe this support will be obtained. Then, Israel must receive a two-thirds majority in the assembly, when that body resumes work in New York April 1.

THE UNITED STATES and France—the two big powers on the commission—have been sympathetic to the Jewish cause in Palestine but worried over alienating the Arabs for somewhat different reasons—colonial policy and oil.

The United States was the first country to recognize the existence of Israel the past May 14, just as the British-held League of Nations mandate over the Holy Land ended.

Turkey, a non-Arab state, ruled over the Eastern Mediterranean area for centuries as the Ottoman empire. It not only was the political ruler of all the Arab territories, but the religious ruler as well.

77 PRISONERS FREED PEIPING, Dec. 12 (P)—Seventy-seven persons imprisoned for wartime dealings with the Japanese were released today—to save the cost of feeding them.

INDIO, Calif., Dec. 12 (P)—Dick Riedel and Bill Barris have already been off the face of the earth long enough to miss a couple of earthquakes, sundry brush fires and several football upheavals. Today they were more than half the distance to a new endurance flight record.

The duo took off from Indio airfield in a monoplane on Nov. 20. They don't plan to come down until Jan. 1, when they'll have logged more than 1000 hours. Present non-stop flying record is 726 hours, set by Wes Carroll and Clyde Schleper of Long Beach.

To tempt Western Berliners to do their Christmas shopping in the Soviet sector, Communist newspapers announced a bargain this week for all patrons of "free goods" stores where no ration coupons are required, but where the prices are high.

The rival factions are watching developments closely. If a majority of Berliners ultimately draw their food rations from Russian-controlled stocks, the Soviet Union will be able to increase its pressure for evacuation of the city by the Western Allies.

Western Berliners fear the Russians are preparing a new kind of frontier control in the divided city to take effect in January.

After that, it is rumored, only Eastern-registered holders of food cards will be permitted to cross over from the Western sectors. Such an action would bar 150,000 to 200,000 people who daily work in Eastern Berlin but live in the West.

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Congressman Asks Aid In Curtailing Power Of Spy Committee

WASHINGTON, Dec. 12 (P)—Rep. Holifield (D-Calif.) today called upon all members of the House to join him in a move to curtail the powers of the House un-American activities committee.

Holifield, a long-standing critic of the committee's procedures, announced that on the opening day of the new Congress in January he will propose an amendment to the House rules "directing this committee to adopt basic American principles of justice."

Holifield's amendment, admittedly aimed at only the one committee, would:

1. Require a majority vote of the committee to subpoena witnesses or documents.

2. Give witnesses the right to be advised of lawyers.

3. Give any person who thinks his reputation has been damaged by testimony before the committee the right to answer orally or in writing to cross-examine witnesses and to present as many as four witnesses in his own behalf.

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## Funeral Rites Held For Two Veterans Who Died in Combat

Funeral services for two Pottstown area veterans, whose bodies were returned from overseas military cemeteries, were held over the weekend.

Military services for Pvt. Charles R. Fritz, husband of Kathryn (Egolf) Fritz, of 27 East Third street, were held yesterday afternoon at 2 o'clock from a funeral home at 312 North Washington street.

Pvt. Fritz was killed at the age of 34 in Chatenay, France, while on patrol for the 35th Infantry division in 1944.

Officiating at the services were the Rev. John B. Frantz, pastor of Trinity Reformed church, and the Rev. Luther A. Krouse, pastor of Emmanuel Lutheran church.

Military rites were conducted in Highland Memorial park by the Pottstown Veterans Funeral council. John B. Amwaeke, council chairman, was in charge, assisted by Earl F. Newton and William H. Yohn.

Bearers were Earl F. Antrim, August Schrumpf, Edward Pierman, Dean Hedrick, Harry J. Günther, Edmund J. Sobresky, D. J. Lightcap and Morton Schonberger.

Color guards were Howard Kalis, Smith McAllister, Richard Wilson and Frank Weber. Color bearers were William Rightnour, Peter Cronin, Le Roy Koch, Ralph Rhoads, Lester Rosen and Hilary Printz.

In the firing squad captained by William Wagner, were Joseph A. Kelly Jr., Charles P. Kelly, Robert Breidenbach, Paul Hrasok, Charles Hall, Kenneth Burke, Herbert Jones and Joseph Barrett.

Taps were sounded by Douglas Schwenk.

Brief services for Pfc. Harvey Shaner Jr., of Schuylkill road, Pottstown Rd. 1, were held yesterday afternoon at 2 o'clock at graveside in Pottstown West End cemetery.

Officiating was the Rev. Charles Emery, pastor of Holiness Christian church.

Pfc. Shaner was killed in Kapellenberg, Germany, April 26, 1945, while serving with the Third army. He was 19 when he was killed.

Memorial services had been held for him a year after his death.

## Pughtown Cub Scouts To Be Hosts at Party

Den 1 of Cub Pack 25, Pughtown Baptist church, will sponsor a party for the Scouts and Cubs of Brownback's Evangelical and Reformed church in the Baptist church tomorrow night at 7:30 o'clock.

Cubmaster Jesse Wynn will be in charge of the Christmas party, which will feature Santa Claus in the church filled with a tree, holly and all the traditional Yuletide red and green decorations.

Friends and families of the Cubs and Scouts also have been invited. Refreshments will be served.

## Youth Held in Slaying Of Retired Machinist, 65

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 12. (AP) — Edward W. Bryant, 25, formerly of Steelton, Pa., was held in jail without bail today charged with the robbery-slaying of 65-year-old Joseph Saturno, a retired machinist.

Bryant and two other men—Joseph Chambers, 26, and Thomas Phillips, 38—are being held for action of the coroner in connection with the case. Saturno was slain Nov. 8.

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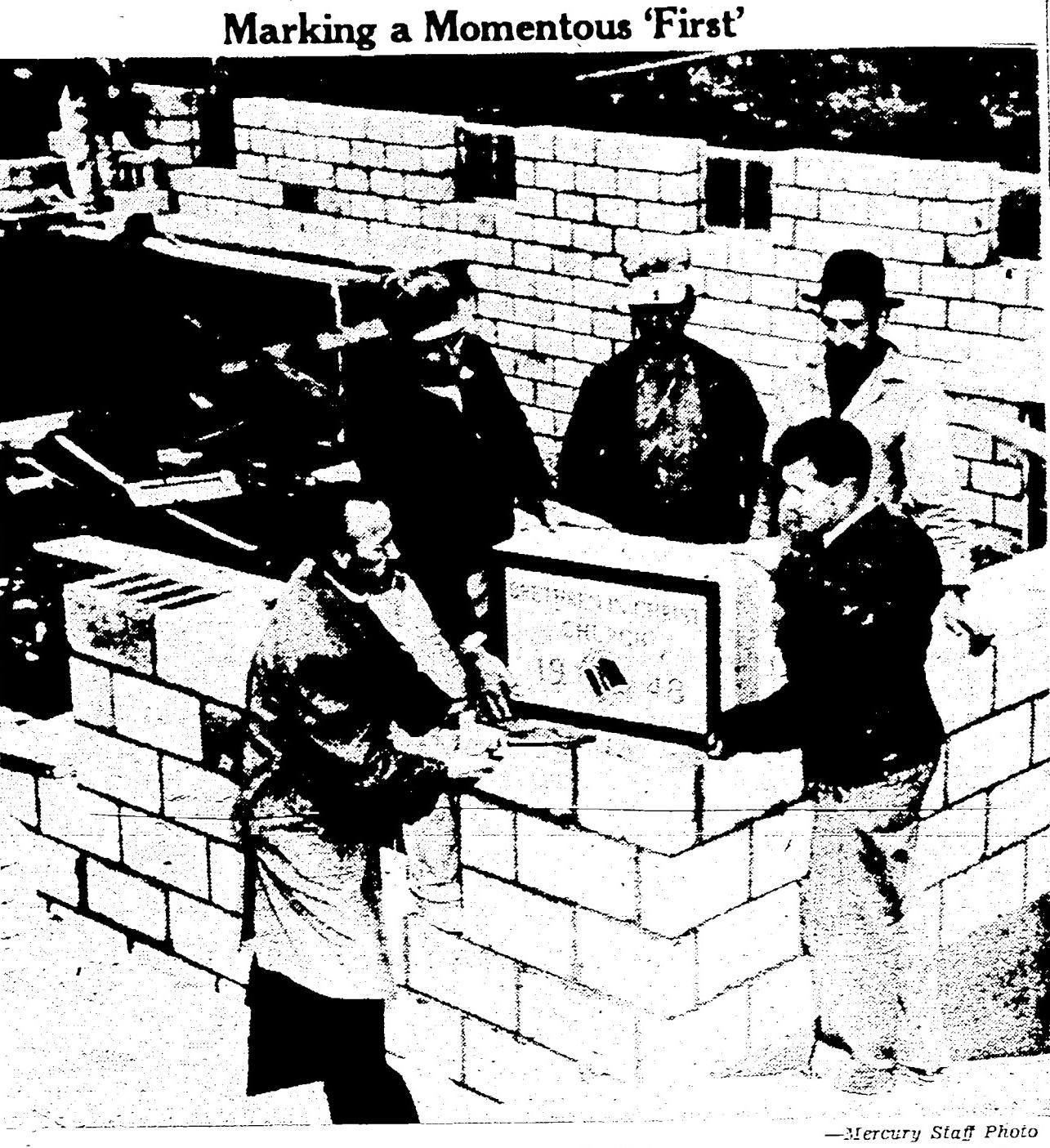


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## Good Will Firemen Vote Shift in Time Of Monthly Meeting

By a vote of 45 to 19, members of the Good Will Fire company voted yesterday morning to change the meeting time from the second Sunday to the second Thursday night of each month. The change will become effective in February.

Thursday night was the pre-war meeting time. It was moved to Sunday to accommodate the many Good Will members who worked at war jobs at night.

Robert Roth, company chief, reported four fire calls answered in November, bringing the year's total to 88.

He also reported on the recent meeting of fire department representatives with the fire committee of borough council, and for the ambulance committee. There were 108 ambulance calls the past month.

Thirteen new members were elected and seven applications for membership received.

The vote on changing the meeting schedule was taken at a special session following yesterday's regular meeting. A two-thirds affirmative vote was required to carry the motion.

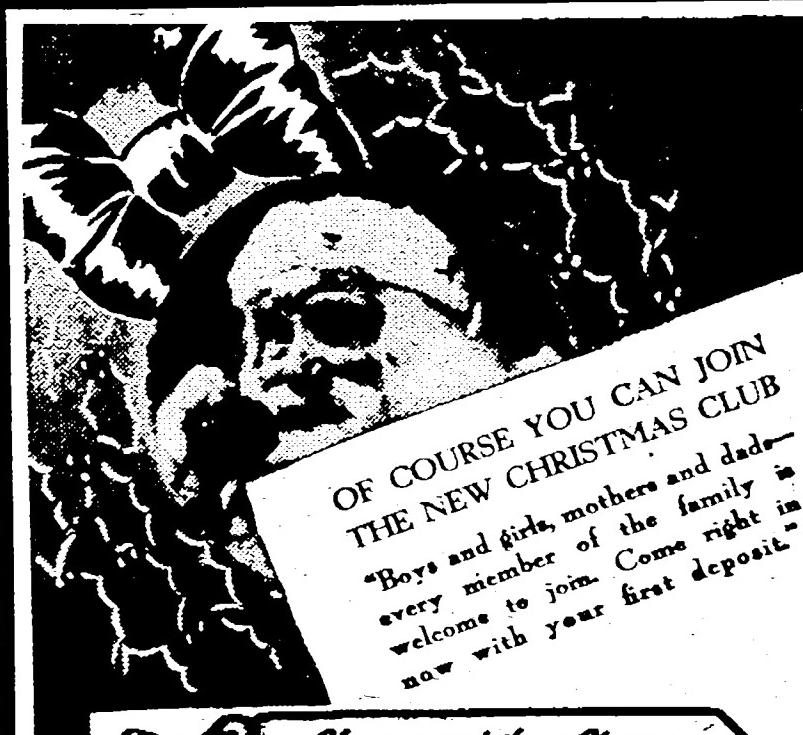
## 16 Persons Are Injured As 2 Fire Trucks Collide

PRESNO, Calif., Dec. 12 (AP) — Sixteen persons were injured today when two fire trucks collided at a downtown intersection.

Ten of the injured were firemen. Physicians said streets were roped off and pedestrians were warned to cease smoking throughout the area—the fumes from escaping gasoline were so heavy.

The two trucks were racing from different stations toward a house fire.

Sixty-five members attended the meeting, and President Leslie D. Rhoads was in charge.



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We should try to succeed by merit, not by favor. He who does well will always have patrons enough. — Plautus.

Stay Alive This Christmas

The Christmas rush and crush will increase its tempo this week.

Take it easy! Don't get yourself messed up in an accident, don't burn up yourself, your children or your home.

You'll want to enjoy this Christmas — and many more of them.

So hearken today to the two editorials below:

Take Care of Your Tree

To MAKE certain that a Christmas tree fire will not turn holiday joy into tragedy, follow the following suggestions:

Pottstown ROBERT ARTHUR

## Borough to Buy Old Opera House—But Then What?

### Suggestions for Its Use

To the Editor: Even if it does cost the borough \$21,000 to buy the opera house and heaven knows how many thousands more to tear down the old wreck, the site alone will be well worth the money.

Now's the time for Pottstown to get busy and build a real community center. Let's have a building that will provide an auditorium for the many concerts, Town Hall meetings and other public affairs that are offered to us.

There should be a gymnasium, which also could be used as a dance hall for Pottstown's teen-agers. A community center should house the type of library befitting a town this size, instead of jamming books into a remodeled private home on High street.

This community center also could provide room for government offices, as our town grows—and grow it certainly will. One more suggestion, the ground floor could be opened to small business places, attractive and dignified, that would bring the borough an assured and sizable income.

If the borough fathers just let this building stand there after they buy it, it will become a white elephant. Now is the time for them to follow through with a good idea, and give Pottstown one thing it really needs, a community center.

Maybe "Pro-Operator" doesn't use the phone much. But I do, and there are plenty of times when I'd like to get after these dumb operators with my rolling-pin.

Pottstown RD 4 H. F. L.

### WASHINGTON

## North Atlantic Alliance Faced With Big Problems

By RAY TUCKER

WASHINGTON, Dec. 12—Preliminary European and Washington talks on the proposed North Atlantic military alliance have produced remarkable results for such a revolutionary project. But detailed discussions now under way here dramatize the difficulties which must be solved before a final pact can be presented to Congress or foreign parliaments for ratification.

The American people and legislators will be startled when the first extent of this kind in history is unveiled. For the determined planners have proceeded on the assumption that the seven governments meant what they said when they agreed to prepare western civilization in advance against a prospective foe (Russia), instead of waiting until the Continent had been overrun and occupied by the enemy, as it was by Hitler in 1940.

**ROCK:** The staff, working under British Marshal Bernard L. Montgomery who will head the allied force at least in its formative stages, has gone over every problem which a new or old army faces — cost, size, bases, selection of a sighting front, uniforms, supplies, arms and reserves.

Needless to say, American money, industrial capacity, armament, air-sea power and prestige are the solid rock upon which this new Gibraltar will be erected. Without us, there would not be the faintest idea that so many nations of different languages, national aims, customs and geography should or could unite militarily as well as economically.

In fact, it is estimated that the all-out expense to the United States over a four or five-year period will range from 15 to 18 billion dollars, or about the cost of the Marshall Plan. Nor does this figure include the outlay for rearming Latin-American Republics, Greece, Turkey and possibly China.

**PLANS:** Preliminary plans call for an allied army of from 20 to 30 divisions, or from 400,000 to 600,000 men. European nations prefer an even higher figure. A sizable force is required because of the weakness of every participating member, including ourselves.

These would be supplied and equipped with the finest arms, from pistols to jet planes, that modern industry can provide, including certain secret weapons devised or developed since World War II. It would be a unified unit in being and under training at all times behind the selected defense line.

Otherwise, there would be the same piecemeal and blundering operations that occurred after the 1914 and 1940 breakthroughs by the Germans.

For both defense and attack, this Army of Western Europe would have an air complement of the latest attack planes and bombers.

**STRONGPOINTS:** The United States will maintain a reservoir of planes and pilots at both continental and off-shore points — a particularly touchy subject. We now have the right to bases in Greenland, Iceland, the Azores, England, Germany and North Africa, although there have been suggestions that we give them back.

3. Avoid overindulgence in celebrating. Don't let holiday spirit — or spirits — take the place of common sense — not only behind the wheel, but everywhere.

Fact is that we would need more supply, naval and aerial strongpoints in event of a conflict or even to prevent attack. Therefore, it is hoped that Portugal, Italy, Greece, Turkey, Denmark and Norway will eventually join.

The Scandinavian countries, however, face an embarrassing problem because of their closeness to Russia.

A Mediterranean front, at least for planes and warships, is regarded as essential because of the importance of that basin, especially in any trouble with Moscow.

Once the alliance becomes operative, the diplomats will assume the task of winning these additional members. Charter organizers, besides the U.S. and Canada, are Britain, France, Belgium, The Netherlands and Luxembourg.

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GRAMPAW NED OAKLEY

PUNKIN CORNERS, December 12

Editor, The Mercury,  
Dear Sir 'n' Brother:

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A Meditteranean front, at least for planes and warships, is regarded as essential because of the importance of that basin, especially in any trouble with Moscow.

The fact that he was so obsessed with the idea of belittling her pride, should have made her wonder if his own vanity had not been seriously wounded.

Wives would be much happier if they learned to see through their husbands' criticisms to the motives behind them.

Then they could shrug their shoulders and avoid the hurt to their vanity.

The tearful wife whom I just mentioned above, told me that her husband is ten years older than herself.

And he is really worried because she is much more youthful looking than himself. For she has an attractive figure and a beautiful complexion.

But he feels that he is fading and failing. This thought terrifies him. In his anger and panic, he turns upon the woman he really loves and makes illegal attacks upon her appearance.

Send for my 100-point "Test For A Popular Husband," enclosing a 3-cent stamped envelope plus a dime.

**FLOWERS FOR THE LIVING**

For MR. AND MRS. CHARLES LONG

Kenilworth

BECAUSE they are celebrating their silver wedding anniversary today.

Always write to Dr. Crane in care of The Mercury, enclosing a long 3-cent stamped envelope and a dime to cover typing or printing costs when you send for one of his psychological charts.

The name and complete address of the author must accompany every contribution but on request will not be published. Letters not exceeding 250 words will receive preference.

### 'Go' Signal for Politicians

To the Editor: Very glad to see the borough went ahead and bought that disreputable old wigwam, the King street theater building.

Years and years and years ago it should have been torn down to allow room for something useful or be converted from the bat shanty it is to a dwelling place for slightly higher primates.

My ecstasy at seeing that old pile turned into something more lovable and liveable is not unalloyed, however.

I see the sale as the signal for every politician and contractor in town to slip into their spiced shoes and begin log-rolling and pork-barreling at a rate heretofore unimaginable.

When the dust has settled and the voter has sprawled across the finish line, I will wager \$10 against a more stupider that the name on his husband will be that of one of our "prominent" councilmen or an even higher borough official.

Pottstown RD 2 THEATER-GOER

### Pained by 'Hello Girl'

To the Editor: Several days ago "Pro-Operator" wrote to you ("Vote With Smile," Readers Say, Dec. 6), all excited about how he or she liked operators to ask for your number, instead of having a new, efficient dial system like Boyertown got the other day.

Maybe "Pro-Operator" doesn't use the phone much. But I do, and there are plenty of times when I'd like to get after these dumb operators with my rolling-pin.

Pottstown RD 4 H. F. L.

## The Voice of Broadway

By DOROTHY KILGALLEN

### Speaking for Myself

I MIGHT AS WELL admit it, Hollywood has me baffled. Just when I'm thoroughly convinced that the only progress the movies are making is backwards, along comes a great big hunk of cinema magic wonderful like "The Snake Pit" to prove how wrong I am.

Since my colleagues of the movie-reviewing departments have already splattered the film with just about every loving adjective in Webster's Unabridged, I needn't go into further detail about the merits of the production.

But I would like to point out one small but revolutionary departure which indicates to me that art clearly is on the march in Hollywood. I mean that Olivia de Havilland, in portraying a lady slightly off her crupper, is allowed to look exactly as such a tortured damsel would look: i.e., terrible.

IT SEEKS TO ME I even recall one masterpiece in which the audience was expected to believe, if you please, that Betty Grable couldn't get her man until she took off her glasses. And there was another epic that pretended Lana Turner was absolutely repulsive to the boys before she went into a beauty parlor and had her hair changed from brown to catch wise.

And there were countless other instances in which the star pretended she was just a little old fizzle-face of a bumblebee until love inspired her to fluff out her hair and say to hell with astigmatism.

In all cases, thanks to Mother Nature and the brothers Westmore, she was actually just as beautiful before as after, and everybody could see it. Everybody, that is, except the movie moguls.

It was the same way when a big name glamour girl was required by the eugenics of the plot to spend a year or so on a desert island, or a week fighting her way through the jungle.

That, to me, is progress with a capital P. I can remember—how can I forget?—when Hollywood's method of indicating that a movie heroine was supposed to be a plain Jane was to balance a pair of

spectacles on her obviously classic nose and call it a day.

A friggin' trump was indicated by a tailored suit, a felt hat and low-heeled shoes, plus the glasses Dorothy Parker and her dearless witicism to the contrary, it takes more than a pair of harlequins to turn a beauty into a bow-wow—but it took the cinema several decades to catch wise.

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## Borough to Buy Old Opera House—But Then What?

## Suggestions for Its Use

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By carrier—25¢ per week \$12 per year.  
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MONDAY, DECEMBER 13, 1948

We should try to succeed by merit, not by favor. He who does well will always have patrons enough.—Plautus.

## Stay Alive This Christmas

THE Christmas rush and crush will increase its tempo this week.

Take it easy! Don't get yourself mugged up in an accident, don't burn up yourself, your children or your home.

You'll want to enjoy this Christmas—and many more of them.

So hearken today to the two editorials below:

## Take Care of Your Tree

TO MAKE certain that a Christmas tree fire will not turn holiday joy into tragedy, follow the following suggestions:

Pottstown ROBERT ARTHUR

## WASHINGTON

## North Atlantic Alliance Faced With Big Problems

By RAY TUCKER

WASHINGTON, Dec. 12—Preliminary European and Washington talks on the proposed North Atlantic military alliance have produced remarkable results for such a revolutionary project. But detailed discussions now under way here dramatize the difficulties which must be solved before a final pact can be presented to Congress or foreign parliaments for ratification.

The American people and legislators will be startled when the first entente of its kind in history is unveiled. For the determined planners have proceeded on the assumption that the seven governments meant what they said when they agreed to prepare western civilization in advance against a prospective foe (Russia), instead of waiting until the Continent had been overrun and occupied by the enemy, as it was by Hitler in 1940.

PLACE the tree away from fireplaces, other sources of heat, and avoid the use of candles. Keep tinsel and other metallic decorations away from light sockets.

5. Get rid of Christmas gift wrappings at once, and use only artificial "snow" and decorations of the flameproofed or non-combustible type.

6. Use lights and wirings bearing the label of Underwriters' Laboratories, Inc. Check wirings for defects and loose sockets.

7. Turn off the tree lights when no one is to be in the room for any length of time. Since too many tree light circuits in one outlet may overload the house wiring and blow a fuse, distribute the load among several outlets. Never substitute a penny or an oversized fuse.

8. In all places of public assemblage, place trees away from stairs and other exits, and station competent watchers with fire extinguishers or water pails nearby. Keep aisles and exits clear; plan to avoid panic. In homes, a pail of water should be kept handy.

9. Dispose of old trees in fire-safe areas outdoors—not in furnaces, stoves or fireplaces, because trees burn with almost explosive violence.

10. In case of fire, call the fire department immediately.

## Avoid the Rush

HOLIDAY accidents may bring permanent impairment or death to many Pottstownians and at least 20,000 Americans during the approaching Christmas-New Year season—unless extra precautions are taken to meet the extra hazards.

Past experience shows holiday accidents not only take a huge toll in deaths and permanent injuries—in traffic, in the home and elsewhere—but also cause 350,000 lesser injuries that can spoil the holiday season.

The red and green colors that signify Christmas to all of us also should serve as signals for a safe holiday celebration.

The red is a warning to curb careless actions that may result in needless accidents. The green is a go-ahead signal for extra caution, common sense and courtesy that will bring a safer Christmas celebration for all.

If everybody follows these signals during the holiday period, the accident toll can be held down far below the figure we fear. And that is the finest Christmas present the nation could receive.

For a safe holiday celebration:

1. Take it easy when you are behind the wheel. Winter's earlier darkness and bad weather make the heavy holiday travel especially dangerous.

2. Avoid the rush of last minute Christmas shopping, and when you are walking on the streets don't carry packages so they obstruct your view. Remember, the motorist cannot always see you, especially during early evening darkness.

3. Avoid overindulgence in celebrating. Don't let holiday spirit—or spirits—take the place of common sense—not only behind the wheel, but everywhere.

## Grampaw Oakley

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**METHODIST**

Bethel AME, the Rev. Allison Coble, pastor. Tomorrow, young people's meeting, 7 p.m.; confirmation class, 8 p.m.; midweek service, Mrs. Allison Coble in charge, 8 p.m. Friday, church conference, 8 p.m. Saturday, rehearsal of the Sunday school Christmas program, 1:30 p.m.

Seventh Memorial, the Rev. James D. Hatchette, pastor. Today, NYF cabinet meeting at home of Barbara Lutz, 7:30 p.m.; tomorrow, Confirmation class, 8 p.m.; King Choir, choir of the home of Mrs. Elmer Yohn, 35 Chestnut street, 7:45 p.m. Friday, choir practice, 8 p.m.

First, the Rev. Horace N. Oewler, pastor. Today, Boy Scouts, 7 p.m.; official board in home of Ernest H. Sands, 1115 High street, 8 p.m. Tomorrow, Girl Scouts, 8:30 p.m.; Confirmation class, 8 p.m.; Sunday school, church school, 2:30 p.m.; midweek service, 7:45 p.m. Thursday, children's choir, 6:30 p.m.; chapel choir, 7:30 p.m. Friday, church choir, 8 p.m. Saturday, Christmas party for children in Fellowship Hall, 2:30 p.m.

**LUTHERAN**

Emmanuel, the Rev. Luther A. Krouse, pastor. Today, Jesus Crown, at the home of Mrs. John W. Miller, 1001 Main Street, 7:45 p.m.; midweek service, 7:45 p.m.; Father's League Christmas party at home of Lamar Musser, 389 Beech street, 8 p.m. Wednesday, midweek school of Christian education, 2:30 p.m.; club of community leaders, home of Sam May, 1001 Main Street, 7:45 p.m. Thursday, Confirmation class, 7 p.m.; Men's club, 8 p.m.; movie, "Salt of the Earth," 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Lutheran annual election of officers followed by decoration of Christmas trees in Sunday school room, 7:30 p.m.; choir as usual.

St. James, the Rev. Edward S. Horn, pastor. Today, Boy Scouts, 7 p.m. Tomorrow, Confirmation class, 7 p.m.; Men's club, 8 p.m. Wednesday, catechetical class, 7 p.m. Men's club, 8 p.m. Thursday, Confirmation class, 7 p.m.; choir, 7:30 p.m. Friday, choir, 7:30 p.m.; candlelight service, 8 p.m.

St. Peter's, the Rev. Kenneth R. Anderson, pastor. Today, Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts, 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, Luther league, meeting to Bethlehem to see Christmas lights, 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Confirmation class, 7 p.m.; choir, 7:30 p.m.; midweek church school, 1 and 2:30 p.m. Thursday, choir, 7 and 8 p.m. Friday, catechetical class, 6:30 and 7:30 p.m.

Transfiguration, the Rev. Theodore L. Fischer, pastor. Today, senior catechetical class, 3:30 p.m.; Fischer Bible class at home of Mrs. Henry Mackes, 227 South Main street, 7:30 p.m. Tomorrow, Junior catechetical class, 4 p.m. Thursday, chapel choir, 3:30 p.m.; senior choir, 7:45 p.m. Friday; junior choir, 8:30 p.m.; movie night, 7:15 p.m.

St. John's, South Pottstown, the Rev. Robert M. Lamparter, pastor. Today, church council, 8 p.m. Tomorrow, catechetical class, 8 p.m. Thursday, junior choir, 6:30 p.m.; senior choir, 8 p.m.

Grace, the Rev. Edgar S. Brown Jr., pastor. Tomorrow, Luther league election of officers, 8 p.m. Wednesday, children's choir, the church, 4 p.m. Saturday, social dance, 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Confirmation class, 7:45 p.m. Thursday, junior choir, 4 p.m.; senior choir, 7:30 p.m. Saturday, cake sale by Men's club.

Zion's, the Rev. Howard A. Kosman, pastor. Tomorrow, confirmation class, 7 p.m.; Eureka Bible class at home of George Walker, 7 p.m. Wednesday, Midweek service, at home of Mrs. Charles I. Stout, 8 p.m. Wednesday, junior choir, 3:45 p.m.; senior choir, 7:45 p.m. Friday, Christmas party for all children of the church by Mothers' club in the chapel, 7 p.m.

St. John's, the Rev. Paul C. Scheller, pastor. Tomorrow, church school class, 8 p.m. Wednesday, Confirmation class, 2:30 p.m. Thursday, choir, 8 p.m. Saturday, Saturday night club Christmas party, 8 p.m. Sunday, Saturday night club Christmas party, 8 p.m.

**REFORMED**

Trinity, the Rev. John B. Franz, pastor. Today, Brownie scouts, 4 p.m.; Mother's class Christmas party and gift exchange, 7:30 p.m. Tomorrow, Girl Scouts, 6:30 p.m.; midweek school of Christian education, 2:30 p.m.; confirmation class, 8 p.m. Thursday, choir, 7:30 p.m.; church membership class, 8:30 p.m.; Boy Scouts, 7:30 p.m. Thursday, junior choir, 4 p.m.; senior choir, 7:30 p.m. Saturday, cake sale by Men's club.

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**UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST**

First, the Rev. Delaine F. Storni, pastor. Today, church school workers conference at church, 8 p.m. Tomorrow, Catherine Corbett church, 8 p.m. Wednesday, Confirmation class, 7:30 p.m. Thursday, junior choir rehearsal, 7:30 p.m. Friday, midweek prayer service, 8 p.m.; candlelight service, 8 p.m.

Second, the Rev. H. L. Butler, pastor. Tomorrow, senior choir, 8 p.m.; senior choir, at home of Gwendolyn Jackson, 552 Walnut street, 8 p.m. Wednesday, junior choir rehearsal, 7:30 p.m. Thursday, midweek prayer service, 8 p.m.; candlelight service, 8 p.m.

Third, the Rev. J. W. Martin, pastor. Today, confirmation class, 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, Confirmation class, 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Confirmation class, 7:30 p.m. Friday, Confirmation class, 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Confirmation class, 7:30 p.m. Sunday, Confirmation class, 7:30 p.m.

**EVANGELICAL UNITED BRETHREN**

Bethel, the Rev. John L. Snodder, pastor. Wednesday, prayer service, 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Christmas party at the home of Mrs. Edward Helmback, 8 p.m.

Salem, the Rev. Charles V. Kachel, pastor. Today, church council in chapel, 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Women's society of World Service in chapel, 7:30 p.m.

**BAPTIST**

Second, the Rev. H. L. Butler, pastor. Tomorrow, senior choir, 8 p.m.; senior choir, at home of Gwendolyn Jackson, 552 Walnut street, 8 p.m. Wednesday, junior choir rehearsal, 7:30 p.m. Thursday, midweek prayer service, 8 p.m.; candlelight service, 8 p.m.

Third, the Rev. J. W. Martin, pastor. Today, confirmation class, 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, Confirmation class, 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Confirmation class, 7:30 p.m. Friday, Confirmation class, 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Confirmation class, 7:30 p.m. Sunday, Confirmation class, 7:30 p.m.

**OTHER CHURCHES**

Holiness Christian, the Rev. Charles Emery, pastor. Wednesday, prayer service at the church, 7:45 p.m.

**ADVENTIST**

First, the Rev. J. W. Martin, pastor. Today, confirmation class, 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, Confirmation class, 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Confirmation class, 7:30 p.m. Friday, Confirmation class, 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Confirmation class, 7:30 p.m. Sunday, Confirmation class, 7:30 p.m.

**CHRISTIAN SCIENCE**

Christian Science, 910 High street, Wednesday, testimonies of Christian Science healing, 8 p.m.

**FIRST PRESBYTERIAN**

First Presbyterian, the Rev. A. Burns Hallowell Jr., pastor. Today, executive board of Women's Association, 2 p.m.; midweek circle at home of Mrs. William S. Eberle Jr., Samson, 8 p.m. Wednesday, junior choir, 7 p.m.; senior choir, 7:15 p.m. Wednesday, midweek service, 8 p.m. Friday, Couples Club, 8 p.m.

**ASSEMBLY OF GOD**

Assembly of God Tabernacle, the Rev. Forrest T. Nelson, pastor. Wednesday, prayer meeting, 7:30 p.m.

**CHRISTIAN AND MISSIONARY ALLIANCE**

The Rev. W. Harry Dickinson, pastor. Thursday, Women's prayer meeting, 7:30 p.m.; prayer and Bible study, 7:45 p.m. Saturday, time of prayer, 8 p.m.

**CHRIST EPISCOPAL**

The Rev. Bert George A. Linsker, rector. Today, Girl Scouts, 7 p.m.; Christmas party sponsored by Boy Scouts, 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, church service, 7:30 p.m.; Boy Scouts, 7:30 p.m. Thursday, church service, 7:30 p.m. Saturday, cake sale by Girl Scouts, 7:30 a.m.

**STATE CHURCH**

State Church, King and Franklin streets. Thursday, prayer meeting and Bible study, 8:30 p.m.

## Eton College Head Dies; Tutored British Royalty

WINDSOR, Eng., Dec. 12 (UPI)—Sir Clarence Henry Marten, 76, provost of Eton college since 1945 and for years tutor to Princesses Elizabeth and Margaret, died today at his home.

An historian, he had spent his entire professional life at Eton. He was knighted on the steps of the college chapel during the war in the presence of King George and Queen Elizabeth.

Rhubarb has been used in medicine from very early times; Chinese prescribed it as early as 2700 B.C.

**RECTOR DROPS DEAD**

McADOO, Dec. 12 (UPI)—The Rev. James J. Brogan, 56, pastor of St. Patrick's church here and former day school teacher, died yesterday.

Rev. W. Harry Dickinson, pastor. Thursday, Women's prayer meeting, 7:30 p.m.; prayer and Bible study, 7:45 p.m. Saturday, time of prayer, 8 p.m.

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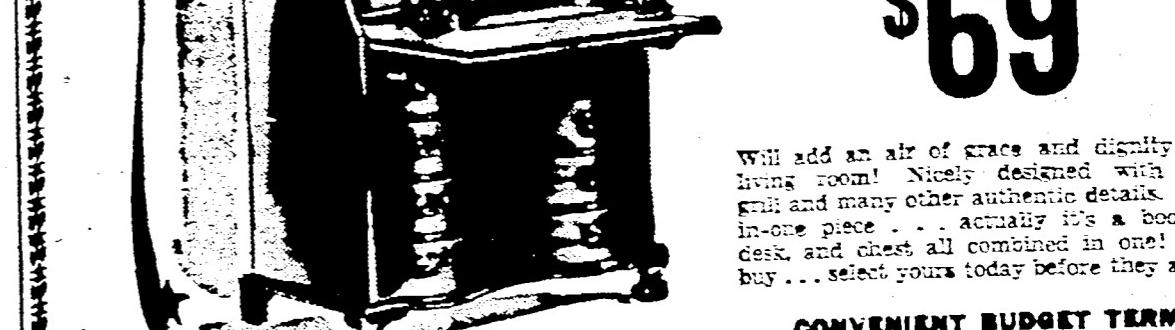


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## District High School Musicians Applauded At Concert in Boydertown High School

The Eastern District Orchestra of the Pennsylvania Music Educators Association opened its season of festivals last night with a concert in Boydertown High school auditorium before capacity audience.

The orchestra, consisting of 39 members representing 33 schools, opened the program with the difficult "Russian and Ladomira Overture," by Glazka. The entrance of the various sections of the orchestra were clear cut and the director's beat stirring.

In contrast the group played a second number, Weinberg's "Czech Rhapsody," and interpreted the work with verve. The final selection before intermission was the

### MEETINGS

Auxiliary of St. Joseph's hospital tonight at 7 o'clock in the Friendship Hook and Ladder company.

Boydertown and Eastern Berks Visiting Nurse association at 8 p.m. in the civic room of the National Bank.

Boydertown Post 3-37 VFW at 8 p.m. in the Orioles home.

Gilbertsville Boy Scouts Troop 1 at 7 p.m. in the Gilbertsville Sunday school.

Rotary club at 6:30 p.m. in the Boydertown inn.

Camp 104, POS of A at 7:30 p.m. in the Keystone Fire hall.

Drum and bugle corps of Charles B. Yerger Post 471, American Legion at 7:30 p.m. in the Legion home.

Boydertown Boy Scouts Troop 3 at 7 p.m. in the Reformed church.

**Boydertown Classified**

#### Deaths

COLEMAN—In Englewood on Wednesday, Dec. 8, 1948, George W., husband of Alice M. (Adam) Coleman, age 72 years. Relatives and friends are invited to the services from Schwepk Funeral Home, 124 W. Philadelphia Street, Boydertown, on Monday at 2 p.m. Internment in adjoining cemetery. Friends may call Sunday evening 7 to 9 (Schwenk)

KRIMP—In Bally on Thursday, Dec. 9, 1948, Harvey W. Kemp, husband of Mandella (Moyer) Kemp, age 71 years. Relatives and friends are invited to the services from St. Joseph's Lutheran Hill church on Monday at 2 p.m. Internment in adjoining cemetery. Friends may call at the residence in Bally, Sunday evening 7 to 9 (Ott)

**Card of Thanks**

**WELLER**

We wish to thank relatives, neighbors, friends, and members of the Service organizations who sent cards and the American Legion Post 471 for their many acts of kindness shown, for sympathy extended and for the beautiful floral tributes at the funeral of Private Daniel M. Weller. The FAMILY

**JOHNSON**

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## Lions Club Members Conducted on Tour Of 'Phone Building

Climaxed by a tour of the new Telephone building at the corner of Warick and East Second streets, Boydertown Lions club members learned about Conestoga Telephone and Telegraph company first-hand from John K. Stoltzfus, vice president and general manager, at a recent meeting in Boydertown inn.

Stoltzfus explained that the company was formed in 1901, at which time service was 50 cents per month. But in terms of today's standards, both service and technical qualities left much to be desired, Stoltzfus said.

"We raised part of the way to Philadelphia and shamed the rest," the veteran telephone executive told the Lions, in explaining long-distance calls of 1902.

HE EXHIBITED the first telephone directory of the Conestoga company—a listing of subscribers printed on a folding card. In 1901, service at the telephone exchange began at 6 a.m. and continued until 9 p.m., daily except Sunday. There was no Sunday service. The first operator was paid \$18 per month.

Other milestones in the company's rise to today's automatic dial system included connection with Bell Telephone company in June of 1924, and the switch to the common battery system—the set-up which was in use prior to dialing—in October, 1929.

The company now has 2000 subscribers in the Boydertown area, with 150 persons on the waiting list. Stoltzfus said that those on the list will be connected as soon as installations can be made.

FOLLOWING his talk, Stoltzfus presented a motion picture "The Dial Comes to Town," which shows how modern automatic systems are operated. After the meeting the members were escorted to the Telephone building, where Stoltzfus conducted them through the new exchange. He showed how dial calls are made and then took Lions into the switchboard room, where visitors observed the two operators handling long-distance calls and calls to points served directly by the local switchboard.

Murray A. Crull, former councilman, was program chairman of the meeting and introduced the speaker. Russell R. Schaeffer, president, was in charge of the meeting.

Boydertown members of the orchestra were: Second violin, William Erb; Sylvia S. Miller and Kenneth Reigner; cello, Hilda L. Yost; tenor saxophone, Richard Erb; trombone, Arland Lanczec; percussion, William Kleman and guitar, Charles Hess.

## Educator-Agriculturist To Address Lions Club

Dr. J. K. Stern will be the guest speaker at the regular meeting of the Boydertown Rotary club tonight at the Boydertown inn. Farmer's night will be observed and each member is to bring a farmer as a guest.

Dr. Stern is a member of the faculty of Penn State on a year's leave of absence to associate with the American Institute of Co-operation, an organization set up by the land grant colleges in 1925 to provide a means of bringing together leaders in the fields of agriculture and business on problems and conditions common to both.

Elmo Underkoffler will be in charge of the meeting.

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## Harmonyville Hunter Goes Only Half Mile to Shoot His Buck

Donald F Rightnour, 19, of Harmonyville got one of the last Chester County bucks of the season Saturday morning half a mile from his home. Two other hunters unexpectedly drove the elated eight-pointer into the young Danner worker's trap. When dressed, he weighed 177 pounds.

Rightnour used four .32 caliber special bullets to kill the big buck who was coming straight at him at a gallop.

It was Rightnour's third buck in many seasons. He went to Porter county the first three days of this season but came home empty-handed.

HE WAS HUNTING before work at 8:30 a.m., so save a dog hill ceiling. Harmonyville on which ten bucks have been killed already this season.

He sighted his quarry at about 100 yards but couldn't get a shot until he appeared in a clearing about 80 yards away.

Later he found that two other sportsmen had sighted the buck a mile away and had been driving him practically into Rightnour's muzzle.

The hunter had to get his farmer to help him drag the estimated 210 pounds of venison on the hoof back to his car.

## SHANER RENAMED —

(Continued From Page One) feated were John Reese and Ira Fisher.

Shaner has worked at the Spicer Manufacturing division of the Dana Corporation for the past 10 years. He now is secretary of Local 644, United Automobile Workers (CIO).

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## Rev. Zbojovsky Assists At Priest's First Mass

The Rev. John F. Zbojovsky, rector of Holy Trinity Catholic church, assisted a newly-ordained Reading priest in celebrating his first mass yesterday morning.

A missionary priest of the Sacred Heart, the Rev. William F. Straka, celebrated the mass in St. Cyril and Methodius Slovak Catholic church, Reading.

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(Continued From Page One) knife handle or gizmo, the price tag is \$2.

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## STAFF ENLARGED

With enough work ahead of him to make a three-toed sloth jump, David Blair yesterday went through a nervous crisis which has mastered many a less harried man — he became a father.

Mr. Blair delivered a 4 pound, 11 ounce boy at 8:15 o'clock last night in Memorial hospital. Mother and child were reported "doing fine."

"skinned out," then the hide is covered with an inch and a half of tallow, which draws out blood and moisture and "sets" the hair.

The hide is then rolled, tied and marked by punching in a number of ice-pick holes. The hide is then pigeon-holed in storage for two months.

The tanning process, involving a series of picklings, treatment with lime and neatfoot oil and dyeing in dye-impregnated sawdust, begins after that.

"When you folks are out on picnics in the Summertime, Davey Blair is still in that shop," he said.

WORKING ALONE, Blair can skin and bone out, salt, roll, tie, mark and generally prepare for tanning two deer heads in a day. Hides get the same treatment in less than half an hour for each.

Trends in this year's crop of bucks show larger stags and bigger feet, the result of better diet, game authorities have advised him.

Another trend significant to Blair at least, which has been constant for 23 years, is that once again he has more customers than he has ever had or knows what to do with.

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## 400 Renovated Toys for Needy Children Displayed at Tea by Junior Service League

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The articles were on display yesterday afternoon at a tea given in the C. Robert Elcker home, 720 High street.

The display included nearly every article that a child could dream of—dolls, all exquisitely dressed in hand made clothing; pull toys, games, boats, hand bags, fire engines and trucks by the dozen.

Even a tea table with matching chairs. The table had been donated and Mr. Ed Endy, knowing that a little girl must have the chairs to go with it, made four which exactly matched.

A LITTLE BOY is going to be immensely pleased with a fire engine with old-type steam boiler, an honest-to-goodness antique that could probably sell for more than \$25.

Six weeks ago the members of the league started with \$20 worth of paint and materials and asked through The Mercury for donation of toys to be repaired for the needy.

They were swamped with calls from the borough, Santago, Royersford and nearly every point in the Pottstown area. The girls and their husbands and friends worked nightily, often until the small hours of the morning.

Yesterday they had more than a \$1000 worth of toys on display that could not be distinguished from new toys. Every dollie had its head needed and every article received at least one coat of paint and appropriate decoration. Close to 400 toys had been repaired.

More than 200 guests gathered in the Elcker home to witness the display and partake of tea and refreshments served from a table with Christmas ball tree in holly setting as the centerpiece.

**TODAY THE TOYS WILL** be evenly divided between the Family Welfare agency and the Salvation Army for distribution to homes where needed.

Before the guests left, a number of them insisted on leaving contributions behind for the league to purchase other toys for the children.

Receiving were Mrs. J. Evans Thomas and Mrs. Elcker while Mrs. Ed Gudebrod and Mrs. Herbert Eades poured. Arrangements for the tea were in charge of Mrs. Melvin Gingrich and Mrs. Herbert Drumheller, co-chairmen.

Miss Almeda Martz and Miss Rita Bartholomew were chairmen in charge of the repairing and rebuilding of the toys and yesterday explained to all the visitors their successful plan.

AMONG THE many visitors to

the Elcker home were the following:

Mrs. S. Ernest Kulp, Mrs. B. H. Longaker, Mrs. George M. Longaker Jr., Mrs. Joseph Keene, Mrs. Carl F. Keene, Mrs. Furman L. Binder, Mrs. P. Brooke Binder, Mrs. Stanley M. Nowacki, Mrs. Katherine C. Holomes, Mrs. Richard Saylor, Mrs. E. C. Surges, Mrs. Kenneth F. Tyson, Mrs. James A. Hallman and Miss Leonore Surges.

Also Mrs. Carl M. Binder, Mrs. William Cunningham, Miss Gene H. Bryan, Mrs. Harry E. Green, Mrs. Esther Gray, Mrs. G. W. Focht, Mrs. Nelson S. Ferro, Mrs. Kenneth N. Thompson, Mrs. John W. Ruffin Jr., Mrs. Kenneth Howard, Mrs. Melvin L. Ferro, Miss Ann Rutter, Mrs. Carol Rutter, Mrs. Carroll L. Rutter, Dr. Alice Sheppard, Mrs. Russell H. Shelly, Mrs. Harry Gingrich, Miss Eleanor Jane Hoffman, Mrs. Roy Binder, Mrs. Paul Z. Hoffman and Miss Catharine E. Saylor.

AND MISS MARY Wanger, Miss Mary L. Schaeffer, Miss Lillian Williams, Miss Leonie Smith, Mrs. Alvin Jones, Mrs. Harry Hershey, Mrs. Edward S. Horn, Mrs. Charles C. Emminger, Mrs. Paul S. Rumpel, Mrs. H. W. Bartholomew, Mrs. John Heagle, Mrs. John Simonsen, Mrs. Charles Baylor, Mrs. Roberta R. Mills, Mrs. Sara R. Potts, Mrs. Florence M. Lessig, Miss Gladys E. Saylor and Miss Jeanne Saylor.

Also Mrs. Elmer E. Saylor, Mrs. Arnold Moore, Mrs. Donald Goodnow, Mrs. Helen Rosendale, Miss Almeda Martz, Mrs. S. T. Nichols Jr., Mrs. Sara E. Miller, Mrs. Evans Van Buskirk, Mrs. Ralph C. Johnson, Mrs. Max Porter, Mrs. Webster B. Canning, Mrs. Evelyn Applegate, Mrs. Kathleen K. Wendell, Mrs. Marjorie P. Wendell, Mrs. Marion Potts Colbath, Mrs. E. B. Heindel and Mrs. Leon Huber.

And Mrs. Herbert Houck, Mrs. John Wanger, Mrs. M. E. Hessell, Mrs. Robert W. Evans, Mrs. Robert W. Evans Jr., Mrs. Robert C. Powell Jr., Mrs. J. G. Ludwick 3d, Mrs. Frank D. Frederick, Mrs. Emilie B. Lerch, Mrs. Samuel H. Keiser, Mrs. C. B. Welch, Mrs. Robert W. Boarman, Mrs. Eleanor Weikel and Miss Rita Bartholomew.

ALSO MRS. Herbert Eades, Mrs. Edward Gudebrod, Mrs. John McCaslin, Mrs. Thomas A. McCaslin 2d, Mrs. Harold Giles, Mrs. James Ely, Mrs. Robert Kulp, Mrs. Elizabeth Wernersson, Mrs. Caesar A. Sarni, Mrs. Eileen M. Ryden, Mrs. Marie S. Hunter, Mrs. Doris H. Drumheller, Mrs. Carol S. Irey, Mrs. Raymond Hartenstein, Mrs. Earl W. Snyder, Mrs. John N. Howard, Mrs. Jane Kulp, Mrs. Josephine Eppenheimer, Miss Sue Gresh, Mrs. Sara Gresh, Mrs. Carolyn Flan and Mrs. Franklin P. Meyers.

Mrs. C. D. Marshall, Mrs. Donald Marshall, Mrs. Robert Ehl, Mrs. Ephraim Keller, Mrs. Dorothy S. Keiser, Mrs. Sarah B. Kendall, Mrs. Howard Evans and Mrs. Florence Scrub.

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Dorothy Obermyer, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Obermyer, Pottstown RD 3.

P. Richard Snell, son of Mr. and Mrs. Philip R. Snell 1304 Cherry street.

Peggy Grow, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Parker Grow, 950 North Charlotte street.

Jeanette Montague, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Montague, 179 Sheridan street.

Grace Terwilliger, daughter of Mrs. Grace Terwilliger, 719 Beech street.

Karl Smith, son of Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Smith, Pottstown RD 3, aged one year.

Make a quick icing for an 8 or 9 inch square of plain white cake by melting two or three tablespoons of butter or margarine in a skillet and adding a third cup of brown sugar; mix well over low heat, then add a cup of shredded coconut. Spread over the surface of the cake and toast carefully in the broiler.

Rub a crust of bread with a freshly cut garlic clove and put the bread in your salad bowl. It will give a delicious flavor to the greens when they are tossed with the dressing. Remove the bread crust before serving the salad.

She will give suggestions for Christmas decorations and will show members how to wrap gifts attractively.

Mr. Raymond Blefken, vocalist, and Mrs. Jack Wennersten pianist, will complete the program. Group singing of Christmas carols will be enjoyed by the club.

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Mrs. Betty Basler, in prayer and treasurer, Mrs. Ada Beekley.

Mrs. Ruth Levingood and Mrs. Helen Gray were elected trustees.

Decorations for the dinner included floral centerpieces flanked by red and green candies. Later, Santa Claus appeared with gifts for everyone.

In charge of arrangements were Mrs. Mary Kurlin, Mrs. Levingood, Mrs. Helen Smoyer, Mrs. Euse Shanner, Mrs. Catherine Roardamel, Mrs. Catherine Miller, Mrs. Lillian Dinger, Mrs. Laura Kinckher, Miss Hawk, Mrs. Iga Yeager and Miss Boorse.

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Today

John Horst, son of Mr. and

Mrs. Joseph Horst, Rice street,

Stowe.

Mrs. George Keller, 501 High

street.

Genevieve Onufrek, Hilldale.

Mrs. Mary Hilbert, Gilberts-

ville.

Paul Morella, 820 Vine street,

Stowe.

Jennie Yoder, New Berlin-

ville.

Kenneth W. Saylor, son of Mr.

and Mrs. Kenneth Saylor, 1010 Queen street.

Alexander Whitenerst, son of

Mrs. Delta Whitehurst, 44 Hem-

lock row.

Herbert White, son of Mr. and

Mrs. Jasper White, 119 1/2 Warren

street.

Joseph John Jr., son of Mr.

and Mrs. Joseph Yohn, 767 Wal-

nut street.

Arthur R. Shaffer, son of Mr.

and Mrs. Arthur Shaffer, 58 South Adams street.

Barry Lee Buckwalter, son of

Mr. and Mrs. Harold C. Buck-

walter, 922 First avenue.

Mrs. Frank Munkasey, president, is

general chairman in charge, with

Mrs. Donald Cochran heading the

entertainment committee. Mrs. Al-

bert Hartman will take care of

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All members of the congregation

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Yesterday afternoon in the Elks' home 137 children were guests of the Doe club at the first Christmas party sponsored by the organization.

Prior to the visit of Santa Claus to bring oranges, candies and presents the children, from six weeks to 12 years old, were treated to a full Christmas program with Mrs. Peggy Hock acting as master of ceremonies.

In dancing costumes of red and silver, Barbara Galloway and Claudette Jacobs entertained with a clog number, followed by the play of Little Red Riding Hood with Dixie Shirey as the girl and her brother, Porke, as the wolf.

Costumes of aqua and silver were used for a tap dance given by Helen and Ellen Katona and Patty Duton. Another tap dance was given by Georgann Jacobs in pastel blue with ostrich feather trim.

HIT OF THE show was "The Cow" played by George Jacobs and Porke Shirey. They were led in by Claudette Jacobs and made to perform a multitude of tricks, even jumping over the moon when asked to by Barbara Galloway.

Six-year-old Linda Sassaman gave her variations of the Christmas carols on the piano and Jackie Sassaman gave a reading. The Shirey children entertained with a set of acrobatics.

Lorraine Johnson presented several vocal selections, and later with her brother, Freddy, played a duet. The four Jacobs children, Bonnie, Georgann, Claudette and George entertained with a vocal selection accompanied at the piano by their mother.

JUDY DUTTON recited a poem, accompanied at the piano by her mother, Mrs. Frances Cox. The entire group participated in group singing with Mr. Frank Kuritz at the piano.

Eye-catcher of the afternoon was a four-month-old chimpanzee who performed tricks for the children. He was about the size of a year-and-a-half child and walked upright in real children's shoes and was dressed in a red and black suit.

Following the visit of Santa Claus, refreshments were served to the kiddies with Mrs. Fay Spear, chairman. Mrs. Mildred Rhoads was in charge of decorations while Mrs. George Jacobs was chairman in charge of all arrangements.

Among the kiddies attending were:

Donna Leh, Bobby Weidensaul, Bruce Gardner, Kathleen Neen, Charles Christy Jr., James Sabol, Robert Harp, Randall Shaeffer, Linda Jo Webber, Hattie Daniels, Anita Richards, Jack Reed, Sara Jane Lessig, Barbara Ann Newhall, Marcia Lynne Swartz, Marlene Kaelen, Susan Drumheller, Frances Chirio, Paity Brockway and Joan Krzanosky.

ALSO, KARYL LEE Lamoreaux, Christine Dengler, Adele Evans, Jean White, Richard Mest, David Borgiet, Donna Borget, John Sklarick, Bunny Canning, Tommy Depp, Jackie Sussman, Donna Jo Meyers, Judy Kochel, Pat Ellen Pennypacker, Penny Herd, Robert Morrell, Penny Grow, John Philip Krejanosky and Larry Piscat.

Also Donna Jean Cory, Bonnie Jacobs, John Phrohmer, Henry Heintz, Tommy Koury, Joan Kimball, James Whitaire, Johnny Katona, Linda Sassaman, David Duton, George Haines, Freddie Packar,

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Discharged: Ruth Baltz, Schwenksville, surgical; Joe Whitfield, Hildreth, dental, surgical; Carrie Strouse, Bowersford, RD 2, surgical; Mrs. Leah Antim, 11 Walnut street, maternity; Mrs. Marian Collins, South Pottstown, maternity; Mrs. Elizabeth Klunk, 16 Walnut street, maternity; Mrs. Esther Jackson, Bowersford, maternity; Mrs. Margaret Littlefield, Douglassville RD, maternity; Stephen Cushman Jr., 551 Water street, medical; Edwin Graf, Roversford surgical; Ralph H. Spore, Sr., 411 Chestnut street, surgical; Robert Frech, 10 West Eighth street, surgical; Jay H. Neffer, 67 North Franklin street, medical; Walston Moyer, Sassafrasville, surgical; Richard Boyer, Shirey, surgical; Earl Smith, 346 Chestnut street, surgical; Josephine Randazzo, 619 King street, surgical.

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**Royersford Woman Dies While on Visit To Denver, Colo.**

Mrs. Emma Emery, 79, widow of B. Frank Emery, 446 Washington street, Royersford, died yesterday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock in Denver, Colo., where she was visiting a granddaughter, Mrs. Edward J. Tufts.

Mrs. Emery and her daughter, Mrs. Harold M. Bush, had gone to Denver about two weeks ago. She was taken ill a few days after her arrival in the Western city. She was admitted to Denver hospital, where she died.

Mrs. Emery was born in Philadelphia, daughter of the late Jacob and Catherine (Lambert) Mood, but lived in Royersford most of her life. She was a member of Royersford Methodist church.

Her husband died here the past August. She is survived only by her daughter, Mrs. Bush, and a granddaughter, Mrs. Tufts.

Funeral services will be held in a funeral home at 600 Washington street Friday afternoon at 2 o'clock, with interment in Fernwood cemetery.

**Dog in Trap Sighted By Chief of Police**

A rain-soaked, bedraggled dog with a trap clasped around one leg, was discovered by Chief of Police Bryson Turner while making his rounds in Royersford yesterday afternoon at 4 o'clock.

The police chief tried to reach the dog, which was bobbing along as though in pain and weak from lack of food, but the animal disappeared in a field before he could overtake it.

The animal appeared from Walnut street, back of Ninth avenue, crossed to the opposite side and then crept into a field between Walnut and Main streets. Apparently it had been caught in a trap and in some manner managed to break the chain.

**Church Directory**

Royersford Grace Lutheran church announcements: Today, 3 p.m. Brownies, tonight, 7 o'clock, Girl Scouts; committee will decorate church and Sunday school for Christmas; tomorrow, 3 p.m. weekly school; 6:30 p.m. junior catechetical class; 7:30 p.m. Luther league; Wednesday night, 6:30 o'clock, confirmation class; Thursday night, 6:30 o'clock, chapel choir; 7:30 o'clock, senior choir; 8 o'clock, senior choir.

Spring City Methodist church announcements: Tomorrow night, 6:30 o'clock, junior youth fellowship; 7:30 o'clock, ushers meeting, guest speaker, the Rev. Garnet O. Adams; Wednesday night, 7:30 o'clock, prayer and Bible study.

**Hospital Notes**

A daughter was born in Phoenixville hospital Saturday morning to Mr. and Mrs. Roy Edwards, Royersford.

Mrs. George Bauer, Royersford, was admitted to the hospital. William Godfrey, Royersford, was discharged.

**Twin-Boro Classified**

**Deaths**  
EMERY—In Royersford Col. on Sunday, Dec. 13, 1948—Emma (Mood), widow of B. Frank Emery, aged 79 years. Relatives and friends are invited to the service at the Funeral Home of W. D. Geiser, 600 Washington St., Royersford. Burial at 2 p.m. in Fernwood cemetery. Friends may call Friday from 12 to 2 p.m. (Geiser)

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# Eagles Win, 45-21; Cardinals Edge Bears for Western Title

**TOM THOMPSON  
ROUTS DETROIT  
WITH PASSES**

Eagle Star Tosses Four Touchdown Aerials: Van Buren Misses Record

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 12 (AP) — Tommy Thompson tossed four touchdown passes today at the Eastern division champion Philadelphia Eagles turned up for next week's National Football League play-off with a 45 to 21 victory over the Detroit Lions. A sparse crowd of 15,327 saw Thompson flip three scoring aerials to Blackjack Ferrante.

Thompson, who passed to end Pete Pihos for his other scoring aerial, completed 16 passes for 285 yards and had none intercepted. The former Tulane veteran finished the regular season with 141 completions for 1965 yards and 25 touch-

downs. The other half of Philadelphia's double-barreled offense—Steve Van Buren—fell 64 yards short of breaking his seasonal ground gaining record of 1,068 yards as he picked up 96 yards on 16 running plays, scoring one touchdown. The Louisiana locomotive is only 182 yards shy of Clarke Hinkle's life time record of 3,861 yards.

Cliff Patton's 23-yard field goal in the first period—he eighth of the season—and six conversions by the hefty guard along with Jim Farmer's 42-yard fourth period touchdown jaunt completed the Eagle scoring. Patton now has converted 60 consecutive extra points, 50 this year.

DESPITE THE LARGE Philadelphia margin in the scoring, the Eagles were hard pressed to whip the improved Lions. Until Bullet Bill Dudley left the field suffering a minor concussion in the third period, Detroit was holding its own, trailing 17 to 14.

Patton's field goal sent the Eagles off to an early lead and a Thompson pass grabbed sensational by Pihos as he sprawled in the end zone made it 10-0. Thompson then tossed 66 yards to Ferrante and it was 17-0.

Back came the Lions with a four yard scoring pitch from Clyde LeForce to Dudley and when Merle Pregulman converted the first of three extra points, Detroit trailed 17 to 7 at the half.

DETROIT WENT 80 yards in 12 plays with LeForce passing 10 yards to Dudley for a touchdown to make it 17-14. The Eagles lashed back 80 yards on five plays. Van Buren bolting 15 yards in the end zone.

Four plays later, LeForce tossed 38 yards to Johnny Greene climaxing a 42-yard advance and Detroit was back in the ball game at 21-24.

At that point, the Eagles passed and smashed to three more final period scores to turn the game into a rout.

LINCOLN, Dec. 12 (AP) — Detroit 0 7 7 21 Philadelphia 0 14 7 21 Total 0 14 7 42 Score by periods:

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ScoringTouchdowns—Detroit 2 (Greene, 42); Philadelphia 2 (Ferrante, 38). Extra points—Detroit 2 (Pihos); Philadelphia 2 (Ferrante). Field goals—Patton 6 (2), 15; Pihos 15.

Representatives—DETROIT — Mann, Green, Dugger, Briggs, Madison, Stovall, Hartman, DeGraw, Bissell, Thomas, Moore, Lark, Kite, West, Duthie, Decker, S. C., Wilson, P. E., F. C., Ferrante, Strong, Sartori, Patten, Caruso, V., Wozencrowe, Szarek, Marcell, Douglas, Hartman, Humbert, Pravon, Vachon, Doug Steer, McRae, Van Slyver, Farmer, V. J., Kish.

**Mary Mercer Pins  
Bibber McCoy in  
Feature at Reading**

READING, Dec. 12—Mary Mercer, at times, did her best work a week ago by pinning Bibber McCoy, of Boston, in the main event of last night's wrestling show at the Reading Armory.

The end came after 21 minutes, 48 seconds of exciting action.

MERCER, the victim of a questionable decision at the hands of McCoy a week ago, ate the fans something to roar about last night as he towered McCoy like a ring like a feather.

In the team match, Wulbur Nead and Stu Hart defeated Jack Kelly and Chick Garibaldi. Garibaldi and Kelly won the first fall in 19 minutes, 21 seconds and the second fall went to Nead and Hart after eight minutes, two seconds. Nead and Hart won the third fall after referee George Lengel disqualified Garibaldi and Kelly for continuous use of illegal holds.

Rene Forest, newcomer from France, threw Pat Walsh in 17 minutes, 38 seconds of the opener.

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	W	L	T	PCT	PTS	P.A.
Chicago Cards	11	1	0	.917	32	226
Chicago Bears	10	2	0	.833	35	151
Los Angeles	6	5	1	.545	42	269
Green Bay	5	6	0	.455	28	253
Baltimore	4	7	0	.333	20	243
Boston	3	8	0	.250	17	372

#### YESTERDAY'S RESULTS

	W	L	T	PCT	PTS	P.A.
Philadelphia	2	1	0	.667	156	156
Washington	3	0	0	.750	153	153
New York	4	0	0	.750	153	153
Baltimore	3	0	0	.750	153	153
Boston	3	0	0	.750	153	153

#### ALL-AMERICA

#### EASTERN DIVISION

	W	L	T	PCT	PTS	P.A.
Buffalo	6	7	0	.455	365	373
Brooklyn	5	8	0	.385	283	301
Baltimore	6	9	0	.385	253	287

#### WESTERN DIVISION

	W	L	T	PCT	PTS	P.A.
St. Louis	10	0	0	.769	239	190
San Francisco	12	0	0	.833	243	243
Los Angeles	5	5	0	.500	238	305
Chicago	10	0	0	.769	202	249

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#### Going to Yanks?



**Yanks to Buy  
Sanford Today,  
Reports Reveal**

CHICAGO, Dec. 12 (AP) — Sale of pitcher Fred Sanford to the New York Yankees by the St. Louis Browns is expected to be announced within the next 24 hours.

George Weiss, Yankee general manager, had a long session with Bill DeWitt, vice-president of the Browns, last night without reaching a final decision. However, there is no major obstacle.

Only the reluctance of Weiss to part with one of his young second line pitchers is holding up the deal.

Two pitchers neither of whom are regular starters and a catcher probably Sherm Lollar, are due to go to the Browns along with about \$50,000 in cash. If Weiss and DeWitt are unable to get together, an unlikely prospect, there is a chance that Sanfran might go to the Cleveland Indians. Bill Veeck, Tribe president, is interested in blocking any move that might strengthen a contender like New York.

THE BOSTON RED SOX also are said to have talked with DeWitt about Sanford or Cliff Fannin although General Manager Joe Cronin of the Sox says "No." It is understood that Sox owner, Tom Yawkey, made an offer for Sanford as long ago as the World Series.

DeWitt probably will not part with any more than one of his starting pitchers. That would mean Fannin and Ned Garver will remain with St. Louis. But Bob Dillinger, the bespectacled third baseman is a good bet to go for the right talent as of now.

The Chicago White Sox have the best chance although Cleveland also has an eye on Bobby.

The Yankees are the busiest people at these annual Winter meetings, which open officially tomorrow. Weiss would like to land Mike Vernon, Washington first baseman and he has a chance. That is another part of another big deal in the making.

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## REDBIRDS FACE PHILADELPHIA FOR NFL CROWN

Last Quarter Rally Nips  
Bears, 24-21; Bills Top  
Colts in AAC Playoff

NEW YORK, Dec. 12 (AP) —

Stunning last quarter rally gave the Western division title in the National Football league to the Chicago Cardinals and the Eastern crown in the All-America conference to the Buffalo Bills.

The defending champion Cardinals attacked down the Chicago Bears, 24 to 21, before a record Wrigley field crowd of 31,223. Buffalo limped across 21 points in the last 15 minutes to whip Baltimore, 27 to 17, before 27,327 at Baltimore.

Just as the past year, the Cardinals had to whip the Bears for the title. The All-America playoff was the first of its kind. The Colts forced the special session by beating Buffalo in the final regular game the past week.

Conference championships will be decided next Sunday. The Cardinals play the Eagles at Philadelphia. The Bills play the Browns at Cleveland.

THREE OTHER National league games were played today. Sammy Baugh tossed a 66-yard scoring pass just 73 seconds before the final gun to give Washington a 28-21 decision over the New York Giants. Tommy Thompson pitched for four tallies as Philadelphia swamped Detroit, 45 to 21. Kenny Washington ended his pro career as his Los Angeles Rams trounced Pittsburgh, 31 to 14.

Trailing almost all the way, the Cardinals needed just six minutes of the final stanza to win their second straight Western crown.

Ray Mallouf, who won the regular quarterbacking job after Paul Christman broke his wrist in the first Cards-Bears game two months ago, guided the champions 85 yards in two minutes. Charlie Trippi scored after Mallouf had passed 15 yards to Mal Kutner and 22 to Bill Dewell.

FOLLOWING THE KICKOFF, Johnny Lujack pass fell into the arms of Cardinal center Vince Barbionis. Mallouf pitched six yards to Trippi. Then Elmer Angsman crashed the dozen final yards to score.

Pat Harder, whose first period field goal made the final difference, ran his consecutive extra point kicking string to 53.

But for the one disastrous intermission, Lujack ran the big Bears in superb fashion. He completed 15 of 24 passes for 237 yards and two touchdowns, and kicked three extra points.

The Baltimore contest, which saw the Bills score twice in the last three minutes, ended with the crowd trying to take out its disappointment on sideline Judge Tommy Whelan. The official escaped with a police escort.

THE EASTERN title passed right by the Colts. And the passes were engineered by young George Ratnerman. The Buffalo quarterback pitched only seven times in the first three quarters, but in the final 15 minutes he let go with 11, two of them for touchdowns.

Ratnerman passed from his 34 to Bill Gompers on the Baltimore 40 and Gompers went all the way. George hurried back, passing Buffalo from its own 15 to the Colt 26 from where he tossed to Alton Baldwin for another tally.

Baldwin then scored a final tally when center E. Hirsch snatched a Baltimore pass and returned it 20 yards for a touchdown.

The New York-Washington aerial circus was a duel between Baugh and Charlie Connerly, the Giants' rookie from Mississippi. The "Old Master" tried 42 passes and completed 25 for 354 yards and three touchdowns. The rookie pitched 41 and connected with 23 for 225 yards and two tallies.

son of the Senators' pitching staff and Vernon have been discussed in potential deals with five clubs. The Red Sox once interested in Vernon, now have decided to go along with Bill Goodman, the rookie who came through in such fine style, Dempsey said.

Arrival of the Philadelphia Phil contingent revived the old stories of the Eddie Waikus swap. Several clubs are hot after the Cubs' first baseman who once seemed ticketed for Philadelphia until the New York Giants blocked the transaction with some "inside" work.

WRESTLING. Dempsey said, is trying to make a comeback. He said he is working with Ed Strangler Lewis, recently appointed Czar of the mat world, to help the sport.

BOXING. Dempsey said, needs new blood, both in the fighting department and promotional division.

The long reign of Mike Jacobs as head man in New York and over the boxing sport in general has slowed down the ring sport, Dempsey said.

Jacobs, according to Dempsey, has forced out too many small club promoters who formerly developed much of the new blood.

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### Polio Victim Eyes Ring



Stricken with polo in 1946, life was at a low ebb for Arthur Rudolph of Evergreen Park, Ill. He was sent to the Sister Kenny Foundation in Minneapolis for treatment. Arthur won his health back and today he is a high school boy, preparing for a ring career. Joe Louis is his hero and during Joe's visit to Chicago for an exhibition bout Arthur made the champ's acquaintance and received some ring pointers as shown.

**Maria Assunta Wins, 68-46;  
Knitters Dump Reading Foe**

For the second consecutive week, the Erntex Knitters and Maria Assunta AC turned in a double triumph for Pottstown on the Armory court yesterday afternoon.

# Western Loop Becomes 'Big Ten' As Michigan State Is Admitted

CHICAGO, Dec. 12 (AP)—Michigan State College was granted membership in the Western conference, making the powerful athletic league the "Big Ten" again.

The action by the faculty representatives was announced by Chairman Kenneth Little of Wisconsin and Commissioner K. L. (Tug) Wilson after two days of deliberations when a membership bid by the University of Pittsburgh also was discussed.

Michigan State's formal entrance is dependent upon certification by a three-member committee, expected next May. The

committee will determine whether Big Nine athletic standards are "completely in force" at the East Lansing, Mich., school.

Michigan State has sought membership since the University of Chicago withdrew from the Big Nine in May of 1946. It is regarded as certain that the Spartan school has its rules and regulations in order.

MICHIGAN STATE probably will not compete as a conference member until the 1949-50 basketball season, at the earliest.

Since the conference football coaches will draft 1950, and perhaps

1951 and 1952 schedules tomorrow, Michigan State's football debut probably will be delayed for several seasons.

However, the Spartans already have Michigan and Minnesota as future opponents and are said to be negotiating with Indiana and Purdue, with a probable lineup of four Big Nine oppo-

nents.

Little is chairman of the three-

member "examining" committee which also includes Paul Blommers of Iowa and Commissioner Wilson.

MICHIGAN STATE has an enrollment of 16,000 students, one of the biggest and most modern athletic plants in the midwest and a remodeled stadium which now has a 50,336 capacity.

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## Washington Made It— But Rex Barney Fails

OMAHA, Dec. 12 (AP)—Rex Barney, fireball pitcher for the Brooklyn Dodgers, playfully attempted yesterday to beat George Washington's record of throwing a coin across a river. But Barney failed.

The young pitcher of "no hit" fame, bothered by an injured left foot, saw his coin fall short of its 400 foot target, the Iowa bank of the Missouri river.

Washington is said to have tossed a coin across the Rappahannock river, a distance of 272 feet.

Barney said the cast on his foot "hampered my balance and leverage," adding "I think I could have made it if I'd used a baseball."

## Verdeur and Slack Miss World Marks

PRINCETON, N. J., Dec. 12 (AP)—Two world swimming records withstood the assaults of Olympic champions yesterday, as Princeton university's new pool was opened.

Joe Verdeur, breaststroke champion, missed by eight second break of his own 3.22 record for the 300-yard individual medley. Allen slack of Yale negotiated the 100-yard backstroke in 60.2 seconds, 3.4 off the record.

The pool, which replaces the 50-year-old Brokaw pool, has nine six-foot racing lanes and bleachers which hold 1000 spectators.

**SHAMROCKS IN ACTION**  
The Pottstown Shamrocks, unbeaten in eight games this season, will play host to West Lawn tonight in an exhibition game on the Bethany Recreation center court at 7:30 o'clock.

Cochran's steal came on a second-down play by the Bears when they were on the Cardinal 15.

"We figured we had two plays to try for a touchdown and then shoot for a field goal if we were stopped," Driscoll said.

## Cards Go Wild in Dressing Room

### After Beating Bears for Crown

CHICAGO, Dec. 12 (AP)—From the post-game beldam they raised you thought the Chicago Cardinals had won the world's football championship.

The Cardinals stormed into the dressing room after their off-the-floor 24-21 win over the Chicago Bears, acting as though the season was over and they didn't have to face the Philadelphia Eagles for the National Football league title next Sunday.

It took at least ten minutes before any semblance of conversation could settle over the din of whooping, screaming players, who hugged themselves and their coaches in frantic joy.

Jimmy Conzerman, white-maned coach of the new Western champion Cardinals, sauntered over trunks scattered football tags and buckets, congratulating players with happy tears in his eyes.

"WE WERE TOO steamed up in the first half," he gasped between handshakes. "We stuck with our

passes too long and we were behind 14-3 at the half."

"Then we finally solved their ground defense and we really threw first downs at them."

"The turning point? It could have been Pat Harder's recovery of the Bears' onside kickoff at the beginning of the second half. Or Johnny Lujack's pass interference on the Bear 10. Or Vince Banonis' interception of Lujack's pass to the Bear 19."

Line Coach Phil Handler grinned broadly and snapped:

"They said Hunk Anderson's line would whip us. We weren't as deep, but we showed them who was boss."

FULLBACK PAT Harder, who scored 12 points, hollered at the two coaches: "What were you guys sweating for?" he quipped. "we knew we were going to win all of the time."

The Bear dressing room was morose-like.

Owner-Coach George Halas of the Bears attempted a feeble grin and mumbled:

"It shows you what a few mistakes can do in a football game."

Assistant Coach Paddy Driscoll said the Bears would have shot for a game-tying field goal in the closing minutes, if Red Cochran didn't intercept Luckman's pass in the end zone for the Cards.

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## Hill Faces Perkiomen Wednesday Afternoon

The Hill-Persiomen basketball game, originally scheduled for the past Saturday, will be played on

Gilligan Memorial court at The Hill Wednesday afternoon.

The game will start at 3 o'clock.

The game was not played Saturday because boys at The Hill were taking special examinations.

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SUNDAY  
NATIONAL LEAGUE

Toronto 2, Boston 3

New York 2, Detroit 0

Chicago 4, Montreal 4 (tie)

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## Villanova, St. Joe's And Pitt Still Lead In State Title Race

By The Associated Press  
VILLANOVA, Pitt and St. Joseph's moved front and center today in the sprinted battle for basketball laurels in Pennsylvania.

Pitt fended off a tough Joe in Bethany while St. Joseph's upset highly rated Oklahoma A. & M. in key games Saturday night.

The Wildcats of Villanova became the darlings of the State, however, by crushing a strong Princeton five, 47 to 25 at Villanova. The Wildcats put up a superlative defense that forced the Tigers into numerous errors.

By remaining unbeaten, these three cage teams remained in the thick of contention for the State crown. To be considered likewise are Duquesne, LaSalle and Westminster, all idle Saturday night.

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## Tony Cuccinello Signs As Cincinnati Coach

CINCINNATI, Dec. 12 (AP)—Manager Bucky Walters of the Cincinnati Reds notified his home office from Chicago tonight that Tony Cuccinello has been signed as Red Coach for the 1949 season.

Cuccinello, a veteran major leaguer, coached at Indianapolis the past season under Manager Al Lopez. The Indianapolis club

won the American Association pennant.

Cuccinello, who played for the Reds in 1930 and 1931 and also saw service with various other major league clubs, managed Tampa of the Florida International League in 1947. Walters said he signed the stocky little former infielder after President Owain Bush and Manager Al Lopez of Indianapolis agreed to release him.

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Muriel Reid's puntin, which gave the Dixie grididers an aver-

age of 43 yards per boot, kept the Northerners back on their heels through much of the game. Reid is a 210-pound former North Carolina collegian back.

The Northerners' last scoring threat came late in the final period when guard Roy Craikay recovered Southern halfback Richard Murray's fumble on the Dixie 20.

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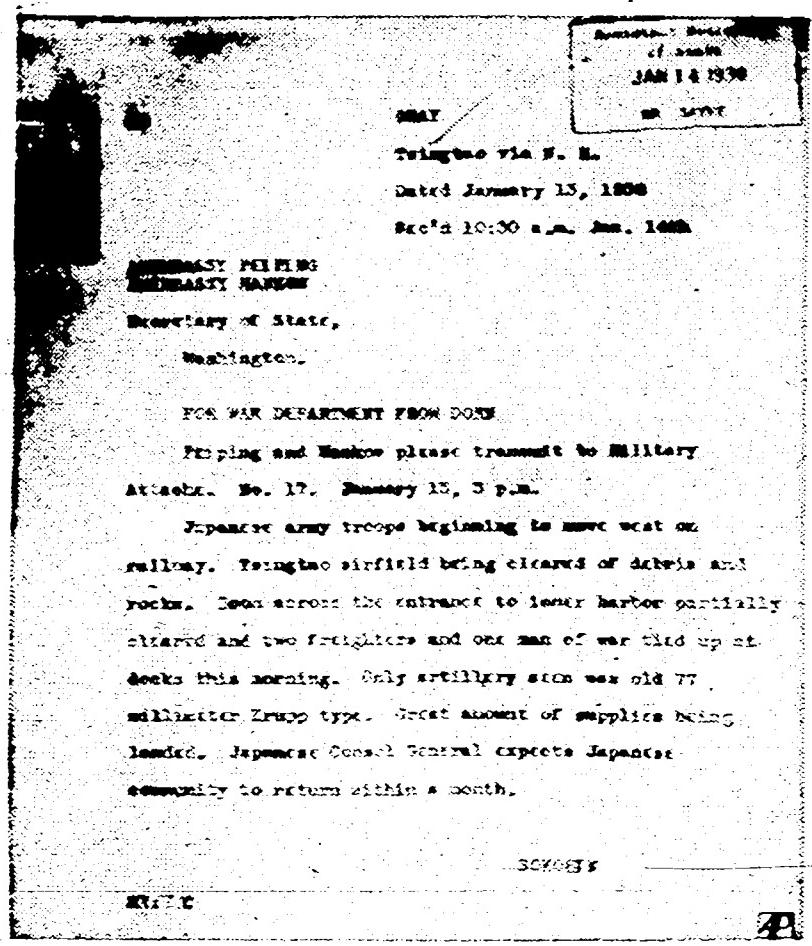
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## Photos of World Events



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Secretary of State  
Washington

17. February 13, 4 p.m.  
By 18, February 13, 1 p.m.  
Report from reliable source indicates that Hitler made arrangements during his stay in France to see French Government is now uncooperative. Hitler is seeking foreign political triumph at the expense of neutrals to redress adverse effect of party crisis.  
Innsbruck correspondent of an American news agency reports Hitler's passage through Italy to France. Numerous general sources alleged that Schencking had long telephone conversations with Mussolini before proceeding to Switzerland. Small Hitlerite demonstration this afternoon for Sturmbund-Austrian legitimists reported discouraged over probable course of events.

**WIREY**  
THREE TOP MEMBERS of the House Un-American Activities Committee are pictured (above) in Washington examining some of the secret State Department documents which a Red spy allegedly secured from U. S. Government files. The men are (l. to r.): Robert Stripling, chief Committee investigator; Rep. Karl Mundt, acting Committee chairman, and Rep. Richard M. Nixon of California. Pictured (bottom) is a photostatic copy of one of the twelve secret documents which the investigating group has released for publication. (International Soundphoto)



ARRIVING IN WASHINGTON by air to discuss his country's relations with the United States, Argentine Foreign Minister Juan Bramuglia (center) is greeted by Paul C. Daniels (left), chief of the State department's office of American republic affairs. Also on hand to receive Bramuglia is Geronimo Remorino, Argentine ambassador to the United States. (International Soundphoto)



MRS. DOROTHY SULLIVAN PIRONE, 27, daughter of the late "Babe" Ruth, and her new husband, Dominic Pirone, 30, New York building contractor, are shown minutes after their wedding in Las Vegas, Nev. The marriage followed a double divorce, Mrs. Sullivan divorcing Daniel J. Sullivan of New York, and Pirone divorcing Lucy Bruno Pirone of the same city. Newlyweds plan to take up residence in Las Vegas following Christmas holidays. (International Soundphoto)

OSCAR U. ZERK, 69-year-old millionaire inventor of the grease gun, and his 21-year-old bride, Patricia Sheppard Zerk, are shown at Zerk's 32-acre Kenosha, Wis., estate where the couple have been honeymooning. Patricia is the third Mrs. Zerk. (International)

GETTING READY for her New York debut as a dancer (at \$500 a day), Patricia Schmidt rehearses her exotic Oriental dance style with her partners, Jack Mattie and Don Miraglia. The Toledo, O., girl, also known as "Satira," recently was released from a Cuban prison after serving 18 months for the sensational slaying of John Lester Mea aboard his yacht in Havana harbor. (International)



A PICTURE OF HAPPINESS, Hollywood film producer Louis B. Mayer and his bride, the former Mrs. Lorena Danker, board a train in Los Angeles en route to New York. This is the first picture of the movie magnate and his wife since their wedding in Yuma, Arizona. (International)

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### Deaths

DEAROLIN On Friday, Dec. 10, 1948, William H. son of the late Adam and Anna (nee Hartfield) Dearlin, age 20 years. Relatives and friends are invited to the service at 2 p.m. from the Memorial Home, 339 King St., Pottstown, Pa., on Tuesday, Dec. 14, 1948, at 2 p.m. Internment in Pottstown Cemetery, West End. Friends may call Monday eve. 8:30-9 p.m. (Afternoon) (Schumer)

GERHART In St. Peter's Cemetery on Friday, Dec. 10, 1948, William H. Gerhart, husband of Emma (nee Pierol) Gerhart, aged 71 years. Relatives and friends are invited to the service at 2 p.m. from the Memorial Church on Tuesday, Dec. 14, 1948, at 2 p.m. Internment in adjoining cemetery. Friends may call at the Delbert Funeral Home, Elverson Monday evening from 7 to 9 p.m. (Delbert)

MUNSHOWER In Phoenixville on Sunday, Dec. 12, 1948, Louis J. Munshower, husband of Violet M. (nee Drier) Munshower, aged 48 years. Relatives and friends are invited to the service from the St. Francis of Assisi Spiritual Memorial Home, 241-43 First Ave., Phoenixville on Wednesday at 2 p.m. Internment in Philadelphia Memorial Park. Friends may call Monday evening from 7 to 9 p.m. (Franks)

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